



Golden Beach Newsletter Summer 2025

*The Golden Beach Newsletter
is technically on Summer Vacation,
but returns today to bring you news of several
items of interest to Golden Beach.*

Fourth of July -- No Parking at Beach Access Lot

On the advice of the Venice Police Department, and in the interest of community safety, Golden Beach is handling beach access differently this year. We will close the beach access parking lot on the Fourth of July. Our beach gate will be open and unlocked for all pedestrian traffic.

Why are we doing this? [The City of Venice annual firework display will be held at Brohard Park this year, just south of Golden Beach.](#) Venice Police tell us that *"At some point in the mid-afternoon, we anticipate that public lots may reach full capacity. If this occurs, we will restrict access to those lots, allowing vehicles in only as others exit. In such a scenario, overflow parking could begin occurring on nearby residential streets, including areas north of the event zone."*

It is impractical for us to control who parks in our 15-space parking lot, strictly enforcing our "members only" rule. Moreover, last year we experienced conditions hazardous to the safety of both pedestrians and automobiles in the parking lot, notably at the conclusion of the fireworks as viewers exited.

Therefore, we will close vehicle access to the lot on the morning of the 4th, and re-open on the morning of July 5th. We encourage neighborhood drivers to "drop-off" beachgoers and their supplies at the front entrance, then park their vehicle safely at home or nearby.

The Venice Police also remind us that *"parking along public roads and within public easements is legal unless otherwise restricted."*

Mark your Calendar for these 2 events:

**Flamingo Ditch Update
with Coastal Protection Engineering**
June 30th - 1 PM - Venice City Hall - Council Chambers

**Community Reception for
Venice City Manager Candidates**
June 24th - 5:30 to 7:30 PM - Venice City Hall - Community Hall

Venice will soon be hiring a new City Manager. You have the opportunity to meet the candidates in person, at a reception held by the City. Below is the communication we received from the City:

"The public is invited to a community reception for the 6 candidates for Venice City Manager, set for 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 24, in Community Hall at City Hall, 401 W. Venice Ave.

The community is encouraged to come meet the candidates, interact with them, and ask them questions. There will be light refreshments.

The City Manager candidates are:

- **Sonia Alves-Viveiros**, Business Administrator of Edison Township, N.J., since 2022; and former City Manager for Englewood, N.J.
- **Andrew Butterfield**, recently appointed Interim City Manager of Port Richey, Fla.; and former Chief of Staff/Deputy County Administrator for Manatee County.
- **James Clinch**, Assistant City Manager for the City of Venice since 2021; he started working for the City in 2012 as a Stormwater Engineer.
- **Bill Lawrence**, Town Manager for Lady Lake, Fla., since 2021; and former City Manager for Bowling Green, Fla.
- **Mark Sohaney**, who served in the U.S. Navy for 37 years, most recently as the Chief Executive Officer for the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam in Hawaii and the Naval Air Station in Key West, Fla.
- **Gus Zambrano**, Assistant City Manager for the City of Hollywood, Fla., for nine years; previously, he worked for the City of Miramar, Fla.

The selection of a new City Manager will conclude at a City Council meeting at 9 a.m. Wednesday, June 25, after a sixth-month process. Following final interviews and audience participation, Mayor Nick Pachota will nominate a candidate for City Manager who must be approved by at least 5 Council Members.

Current City Manager Ed Lavallee announced his retirement in January. After 13 years with the City of Venice and a 50-year career in public service, Lavallee will retire Aug. 4."

Pavers Program Returns!

After requests from multiple neighbors, our engraver will return to the workbench to produce a ***limited run of custom pavers for Golden Beach members.***

You can sponsor a custom personal Golden Beach Paver of your own!

Pavers engraved with your custom message and installed at the beach access, available for a contribution of just \$250 each ... no change from 2023 cost.



For information, please email: contact@goldenbeachassociates.com



Golden Beach Community Resources

Emerging from the 2024 hurricane season Golden Beach began building a list of useful resources, as recommended by members of the community based upon their own experience. The list as it stands today is below. If you have a recommendation for the list, please contact Julia Paulucci (juliapminor@gmail.com) or Wendy Derbak (wwagman@gmail.com).

FINE PRINT: LIST BASED ON RECOMMENDATIONS BY NEIGHBORS. GBAI TAKES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR VENDOR PERFORMANCE.

GOLDEN BEACH COMMUNITY RESOURCES

Specialty	Company Name	Contact	Phone	Email
Gutters	Johson Gutters	AJ	813 245-1134	
Power Washing	Sabrina's		941 253-2742	
	Integrity	Chris	941 223-1801	
Landscape & Clean up	Exotic Landscape	Sam Crosen	941 809-3551	
	Tupelo Landscape		941 266-7016	
	Lawn Service Inc	Russell	941 812-3863	
	Diaz Lawn Service		561 633-9315	
Screens / Pool Cage		Jordan	786 810-2681	
	All About Aluminim		941 876-4779	
		Ganem Milan	786 810-2681	ganem-milan@gmail.com
	Storm Smart	Harry Snell	239 938-1000	
General Contractors	S&E Renovations, Inc.	Sam Green	941-313-3310	David@serenovations.com
Carpenter	Master Finish Custom Carpentry	Joe Dieter	941 303-0297	www.masterfinishcustomcarpentry.com
Sprinklers	Pacific Lawn Sprinklers	Jimmy	941 462-2070	
	Palm Irrigation	Tom	941 800-5674	
	Clark Connections		941 493-2777	
Roof	Kirkey Roofing		941-474-2113	
Windows	Absolute Windows	Mark Lamb	941 232-0004	
Counter Tops	Sunmac of Sarasota		941 271-4326	
Plumber	Babe's Plumbing		941 488-2402	
Floor Clean up / Repair	Integrity Crew	Kevin	808 725-0059	
Electrician	Palm Island Electric	Matt Brooker	941 468-6375	
	Sunshine Electrical Services		941 441-9300	
	H&Y Fence		941 379-3444	
Fencing	Venice Cooling & Heating		941 485-8572	
Heating AC	GranRooster LLC	Rui Grangeiro	248 705-1222	
Handyman				
Volunteers to help Neighbors	Lisa Boltz			roono2@comcast.net

PARKING PASSES

The 2025 member parking stickers and guest parking passes have been mailed to the address provided on your membership application. If you haven't received yours, please send an email to: contact@goldenbeachassociates.com. Please display your member parking pass in the lower driver's side windshield area, and ask your houseguests to display the guest pass face-up on the dashboard when parking at the beach access lot. Please park just one car at a time, per household.

Dogs want a vacation on the Beach?

According to the City of Venice, dogs are not permitted on the beach except at Venice’s wonderful Brohard Paw Park, a beach park dedicated to canine fun:

“The Brohard Paw Park features a fenced dog play yard that leads to the only beach area in Sarasota County where dogs are allowed.” A beach where your dog can frolic, run free, and play with other dogs – without other beach goers giving you dirty looks, or running the risk of ruining your day with a hefty fine from the city.

Gazebo Reservations

If you would like to use the gazebo for a large event – birthday parties, graduation celebrations, etc – please make a reservation in advance by contacting Dee Leatherbury at her new email address: deeleatherbury@gmail.com

The gazebo cannot be reserved on holidays, or when Golden Beach is holding a neighborhood social event. The schedule of reservations is posted in the bulletin board at the beach easement. When you use the gazebo for an event, remember: only Golden Beach members or their houseguests may park in the parking lot, and parking is limited to one vehicle at a time per household. Because trash facilities are limited, we ask that you remove perishable trash when you leave. Our beach access is shared and maintained by our community. Please use the facilities as you would any treasured resource. Pick up your trash and, if it’s large, take it with you. And if you use the picnic facilities, please clean up afterwards. You and your neighbors reap the benefits.

The gazebo is for use of Golden Beach members and their guests only.

GB emails going into your Spam/Junk folder?

To help guide GB emails to your inbox, add 2 emails to all your computer address books and contacts (Gmail webmail, Apple mail, Contacts, Outlook, Thunderbird, etc). Add: news@goldenbeachassociates.com and contact@goldenbeachassociates.com

Contacting Golden Beach Associates -- 2 easy ways!

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Email: contact@goldenbeachassociates.com

Or use *Contact Us* on the website: <https://www.goldenbeachassociates.com/>

